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SUBJECT: MISSION OF SPECIAL ENVOY ON ILO AFFAIRS

REF: (A) STATE 259502 (B) STATE 006576 (NOTAL)

1. PRESIDENT HAS APPOINTED AMBASSADOR LAURENCE SILBERMAN
(YUGOSLAVIA) AS HIS SPECIAL ENVOY ON ILO AFFAIRS. AMBAS-
SADOR WILL VISIT KEY EUROPEAN CAPITALS DURING PERIOD
JANUARY 26-FEB 13 TO EXPLAIN OUR POLICY OBJECTIVES ON
FORTHCOMING ILO ISSUES, IN CONTEXT OF LETTER OF INTENT TO
WITHDRAW (REF A).

2. ENVOY'S MISSION SHOULD BEGIN WITH BONN WHERE HE WILL
WISH TO CONSULT WITH LABOR MINISTER ARENDT AND CONVEY TO
FOREIGN MINISTER IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO THESE ISSUES.

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FOLLOWING THIS DISCUSSION HE SHOULD PROCEED TO PARIS AND

THEN TO LONDON (SEE REF (B) IN WHICH FORMIN CALLAGHAN PERSONALLY OFFERED KISSINGER UK'S SUPPORT ON ILO ISSUES VITAL TO US INTERESTS (. DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FOREIGN MINISTERS, FIRST SEGMENT OF TRIP SHOULD TAKE ONE WEEK WITH LAST STOP IN LUXEMBOURG. AMBASSADOR WOULD THEN RETURN TO BELGRADE FOR WEEKEND OF JAN. 31-FEB. 1.

3. SECOND WEEK OF SPECIAL MISSION WOULD INCLUDE OSLO AND ROME BEFORE RETURN TO BELGRADE. DEPENDING ON HOW SCHEDULING OF FIRST WEEK WORKS OUT, THIS SECOND WEEK COULD EITHER BE FEB. 2-6 OR FEB. 9-13 WITH PREFERENCE FOR EARLIER DATES SINCE APPROACH OF GOVERNING BODY SESSION (FEB. 15-MARCH 6) MAKES IT IMPORTANT THAT ENVOY'S EXPLANATION US POSITION HAVE TIME TO BE COMMUNICATED BY GOVERNMENTS TO THEIR DELEGATIONS PRIOR THEIR DEPARTURE. FURTHERMORE, WORKING PARTY ON STRUCTURE MEETS FEB. 2-13 DURING WHICH IMPORTANT ISSUES OF CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM WILL BE DISCUSSED. ENVOY'S MISSION COULD ALSO HAVE IMPACT THESE TALKS.

4. PREFERRED ITINERARY IS AS FOLLOWS: BONN - JANUARY 26; PARIS - JANUARY 27; LONDON - JANUARY 28; LUXEMBOURG - JANUARY 29; BELGRADE - JANUARY 30; LEAVE BELGRADE FOR SECOND SEGMENT MONDAY OR TUESDAY; FEB. 2/3 OR FEB. 16/17 FOR OSLO, ROME, AND RETURN BELGRADE.

5. POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO DO UTMOST TO SECURE APPOINTMENTS WITH FOREIGN MINISTERS FOR DATES INDICATED. DEPT ATTACHES UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO MEETINGS WITH FORMIN. MEETINGS WITH LABOR MINISTERS SHOULD BE ARRANGED IF TIME PERMITS, BUT ONLY AFTER A MEETING WITH FORMIN (EXCEPT BONN SHOULD IF POSSIBLE ARRANGE FOR AMBASSADOR SILBERMAN TO SEE ARENDT BEFORE GENSCHER. ALSO, EMBASSY SHOULD TRY TO SCHEDULE IRVING BROWN, WHO MAY BE IN BONN ON JAN. 26, TO MEET ENVOY BEFORE ENVOY SEES FRG OFFICIALS.) FOR PARIS: GABRIEL VONTEJOL, NEW GOF DELEGATE SHOULD BE CONSULTED ON ENVOY VISIT. ALSO, EMBASSY SHOULD ARRANGE ENVOY MEET WITH IRVING BROWN BEFORE ENVOY SEES GOF OFFICIAL. DEPT REALIZES THERE MAY BE SOME SLIPPAGE DEPENDING ON FORMIN'S AVAILABILITY. IF NECESSARY LUXEMBOURG COULD BE ADDED TO CONFIDENTIAL

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SECOND SEGMENT BUT SEQUENCE OF BONN, PARIS, LONDON SHOULD BE ADHERED TO.

6. FYI: ENVOY MAY UNDERTAKE SECOND MISSION DURING MARCH/ APRIL AFTER RESULTS GOVERNING BODY MEETING HAVE BEEN ASSESSED. SECOND MISSION MIGHT INCLUDE TRAVEL FAR EAST, LATIN AMERICA, CANADA, AND AFRICA BUT NO DEFINITE PLANS HAVE BEEN MADE. END FYI

7. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT ENVOY'S APPOINTMENT EXPECTED
JANUARY 20/21 BUT UNTIL THEN POSTS SHOULD NOT RPT NOT
DISCUSS MISSION OTHER THAN WITH HOST GOVERNMENT. DEPT WILL
NOTIFY WHEN ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE. KISSINGER

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